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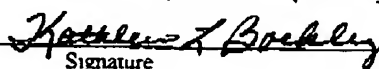
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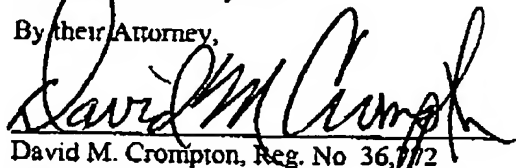
Applicants hereby submit and request consideration of the Amendment filed herewith. Applicants petition herewith for a One-Month Extension of Time, thus extending the period for response to October 8, 2006.

As indicated on the Fax Transmission Cover Sheet, Applicants authorized the RCE fee (37 CFR §1.17(e)) in the amount of \$790.00 to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0413. Please charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

Respectfully submitted,

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